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Filing Date

MARCH 31, 2004

Art Unit

Examiner Name

## I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Valve for Winterizing a Pool

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which



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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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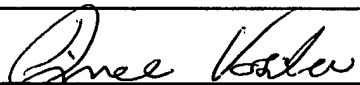
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Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96)

#### SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record

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Signature	<i>Dimce Vasilev</i>		
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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: Gigit Incorporated

Application No./Patent No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed/Issue Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Entitled: Valve for Winterizing a PoolGigit Incorporated, a Corporation (Illinois)

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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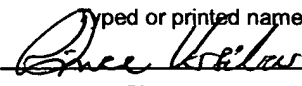
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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